

Let it not be said that the adoption of this suggestion will be agitation.—It is to resist that which has already been begun, and is but too fast demoralizing the hitherto true Democracy of the Free States. It is the existence of agitation which requires of us, action to counteract its baleful influences.—We have asked, time and again, that the agitation of all mischievous questions, calculated to endanger our domestic polity, or our peace and security, as equal members of the confederacy, should cease. Our prayers have not been granted, and now shall we submit without the utterance of a murmur or complaint—without even offering a reason to combat the false dogmas of anti-slavery propagandism, however insidious and covert its form, or hidden in its object? My own answer, first, last and forever—is unconditionally, No ! Silence at this juncture, in view of the peculiar political position of Texas, may be misconceived and misconstrued. Equality and security in the Union or independence outside of it, should be the motto of every Southern State.

I entertain the most devout conviction, that if guided by wisdom, prudence, sagacity and patriotism, the Divine Being will smile on your councils, and that all may yet be well.

H. R. RUNNELS.

The Senate having retired to their Chamber, on motion of Mr. Britton, the Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, Nov. 11, 1859.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Chaplain—roll called—quorum present. The journal of the preceding day was read and adopted.

Mr. Walker presented the petition of Sarah H. Cockrill, asking that she be permitted to build a bridge across the Trinity river with exclusive privileges. Referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Mr. Fall presented the petition of Samuel Jordan, praying for relief. Referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Walker, Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands, made the following report :

The Public Land committee, to whom was referred a Bill to be entitled an Act supplementary to and amendatory of an Act entitled an Act, to provide for pre-emption settlers and their assignees, under an Act of the 22d day of January, 1845 ; the Act of the 7th of February, 1853, and the Act of the 13th of February, 1854, and actual settlers in the Mississippi and Pacific

Railroad Reservation ; and approved the 10th of February, 1858, have had the same under consideration.

The Committee have instructed me to report the Bill back to the Senate, and recommend its passage for the following reasons, to-wit: The Bill simply asks for an extension of time for the return of the field notes to the General Land Office ; for all those who have been so unfortunate, from any cause whatever, as not to have had them returned within the time prescribed by law ; and for an extension of the same time to those poor and unfortunate persons who have been unable to pay the government dues thereon as by law required.

Mr. Grimes introduced a Bill authorizing Joseph B. Edmunson, guardian of Alpher W. Edmunson, a minor, to purchase a farm for said Alpher W. Edmunson. Read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Walker introduced a Bill granting to settlers on vacant Public Domain, pre-emption privileges. Read first and second time, and referred to Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Rainey introduced a Bill to render legal the Census of Anderson county taken by T. J. Erwin. Read first and second time and referred to the Committee on Apportionment.

A message was received from the House through their Chief Clerk, informing the Senate that the House had adopted the following Resolution :

“ Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a committee of five to act with a like committee on the part of the Senate, whose duty it shall be to inquire into the expediency of revising our present revenue laws, and that they report by bill or otherwise at as early a day as practicable ; and that the House had appointed Messrs. Ross, Whitfield, Clark, Lewis of Robertson, and Dougherty, said committee. Also that the House had passed the following Bills:

A Bill to regulate the Public Printing, and

A Bill authorizing the Governor to issue his proclamation, and offer a reward for the arrest of certain persons depredating in the counties of Cameron and Hidalgo.

Also that the House had concurred in the amendment of the Senate to the House Resolution inviting the Senate in joint session, to count the votes for Governor and Lieut. Governor.

Mr. Harmon introduced a Bill for the relief of pre-emption settlers and their assignees, under the Act of February, 13th, 1854, entitled an Act donating 160 acres of land to settlers on the Public Domain. Read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Rainey introduced a Bill making an appropriation for the

mileage and per diem pay of the members and officers of the eighth Legislature. Read first time.

On motion of Mr. Rainey, the rule was suspended, bill read second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Guinn moved a suspension of the rule, that the bill might be placed on its third and final reading. Lost.

Mr. Hart introduced a Bill to amend the 139th section of an Act to regulate proceedings in the District Court, approved March 16th, 1848. Read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Throckmorton introduced a Bill to create the 20th Judicial District of the State of Texas. Read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Walker introduced a Bill to define the 16th Judicial District and the time of holding courts therein. Read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Britton moved to take up the Bill from the House, authorizing the Governor to issue his proclamation, offering a reward for the arrest of certain persons depredating in the counties of Cameron and Hidalgo. Lost.

Mr. Hart introduced a Bill to amend the 2nd section of an Act to regulate Common Schools. Approved Feb'y 5th, 1858. Read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Schleicher introduced a Bill validating certain surveys in Fisher & Miller's, and Peter's Colonies. Read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Duggan offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, The House concurring, that the Senate meet the House in joint session to-day at 3 o'clock, P. M., to go into the election of a Public Printer as provided by law.

Mr. Erath moved to lay the Resolution on the table, upon which the yeas and nays were called and stood thus :

YEAS—Messrs. Britton, Chambers, Dickinson, Erath, Fall, Grimes, Harmon, Hart, Herbert, Hyde, Martin, Pitts, Quinan, Rains, Schleicher, Sims, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes and Wallace—20.

NAYS—Messrs. Duggan, Guinn, Lott, Persons, Rainey, Shepard and Wigfall—7.

Mr. Hart moved to take up the Bill from the House to regulate the Public Printing. Carried. Read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on Public Printing.

Mr. Throckmorton moved to reconsider the vote refusing to take up the bill authorizing the Governor to issue his proclama-

tion, offering a reward for certain persons depredating in the counties of Cameron and Hidalgo. Carried; and bill read first and second time, and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Hon. D. M. Whaley, Senator elect from the 21st Senatorial District, composed of the counties of Leon, Brazos, Robertson and Burleson, came forward, presented his credentials, and took the oath prescribed by the Constitution, and his seat.

On motion of Mr. Throckmorton, Mr. Schleicher was added to the Committee on Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Walker, Mr. Pitts was added to the same Committee.

On motion of Mr. Shepard, Mr. Rainey was added to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

On motion of Mr. Guinn, the Senate took a recess until 11 o'clock, preparatory to meeting the House in joint session for the purpose of counting the vote for Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

The recess having expired, the Senate was called to order and proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

IN JOINT SESSION.

The Speaker announced that the two Houses had convened for the purpose of counting the votes for Governor and Lieut. Governor.

Mr. Duggan was appointed teller on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Caddell and Branch on the part of the House.

On counting and casting up the vote, the result was as is shown in the following table:

| COUNTIES. | FOR GOVERNOR. | | | FOR LT. GOVERNOR. | | |
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| | SAM HOUSTON. | H. R. RUNNELS. | SCATTERING. | EDWARD CLARK. | F. R. LUBBOCK. | SCATTERING. |
| Anderson, - | 672 | 423 | | 457 | 572 | |
| Angelina, - | 315 | 107 | | 310 | 70 | |
| Atascosa, - | 184 | 77 | | 182 | 78 | |
| Austin, - | 405 | 507 | | 334 | 565 | |
| Bandera, - | 17 | 28 | | 16 | 29 | |
| Bastrop, - | 363 | 406 | | 334 | 450 | |

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| Bee, - - | 46 | 46 | 46 | 44 |
| Bell, - - | 338 | 247 | 324 | 266 |
| Bexar, - - | 1,038 | 723 | 786 | 976 |
| Blanco, - - | 106 | 49 | 113 | 45 |
| Bosque, - - | 146 | 31 | 126 | 66 |
| Bowie, - - | 111 | 279 | 46 | 135 |
| Brazoria, - - | 120 | 307 | 107 | 326 |
| Brazos, - - | 201 | 78 | 196 | 85 |
| Brown, - - | 24 | 1 | 24 | 2 |
| Burleson, - - | 423 | 271 | 378 | 293 |
| Burnet, - - | 294 | 70 | 293 | 94 |
| Caldwell, - - | 283 | 289 | 269 | 303 |
| Calhoun, - - | 193 | 138 | | |
| Cameron, - - | 97 | 332 | 31 | 521 |
| Cass, - - | 578 | 626 | 479 | 683 |
| Chambers, - - | 88 | 59 | 58 | 90 |
| Cherokee, - - | 933 | 711 | 805 | 751 |
| Collin, - - | 665 | 454 | 628 | 480 |
| Colorado, - - | 345 | 275 | 359 | 283 |
| Comal, - - | 39 | 346 | 28 | 359 |
| Comanche, - - | 89 | 10 | 94 | 19 |
| Cooke, - - | 315 | 107 | 280 | 127 |
| Coryell, - - | 216 | 52 | 207 | 102 |
| Dallas, - - | 545 | 429 | 402 | 558 |
| Denton, - - | 517 | 135 | 466 | 175 |
| DeWitt, - - | 228 | 259 | 192 | 277 |
| Ellis, - - | 357 | 259 | 330 | 287 |
| El Paso, - - | 65 | 465 | 37 | 468 |
| Erath, - - | 250 | 13 | 252 | 19 |
| Falls, - - | 237 | 109 | 219 | 124 |
| Fannin, - - | 719 | 464 | 567 | 529 |
| Fayette, - - | 604 | 526 | 585 | 550 |
| Fort Bend, - - | 188 | 176 | 139 | 214 |
| Freestone, - - | 295 | 277 | 258 | 308 |
| Galveston, - - | 321 | 433 | 276 | 491 |
| Gillespie, - - | 90 | 102 | 44 | 175 |
| Goliad, - - | 226 | 137 | 204 | 143 |
| Gonzales, - - | 493 | 409 | 462 | 433 |
| Grayson, - - | 639 | 429 | 567 | 440 |
| Grimes, - - | 465 | 254 | 410 | 288 |
| Guadalupe, - - | 251 | 287 | 231 | 309 |
| Hamilton, - - | 43 | 2 | 30 | 10 |
| Hardin, - - | | | | |
| Harris, - - | 829 | 626 | 717 | 728 |

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| Harrison, - | 560 | 495 | | 487 | 499 |
| Hays, - | 164 | 74 | | 159 | 78 |
| Henderson, - | | | | | |
| Hidalgo, - | 3 | 227 | | 3 | 227 |
| Hill, - | 250 | 161 | 1 | 215 | 192 |
| Hopkins, - | 584 | 500 | | 479 | 504 |
| Houston, - | 450 | 354 | | 302 | 463 |
| Hunt, - | 403 | 440 | | 244 | 536 |
| Jack, - | 100 | 12 | | 95 | 18 |
| Jackson, - | 143 | 60 | | 138 | 59 |
| Jasper, - | 244 | 162 | | 197 | 174 |
| Jefferson, - | 66 | 82 | | 48 | 97 |
| Johnson, - | 303 | 118 | | 247 | 159 |
| Karnes, - | 165 | 67 | | 155 | 76 |
| Kaufman, - | 383 | 266 | | 301 | 213 |
| Kerr, - | 47 | 11 | | 38 | 24 |
| Lamar, - | 484 | 549 | | 438 | 563 |
| Lampasas, - | 221 | 65 | | 210 | 78 |
| Lavaca, - | 336 | 342 | | 334 | 331 |
| Leon, - | 421 | 361 | | 408 | 364 |
| Liberty, - | 152 | 210 | | 101 | 238 |
| Limestone, - | 272 | 314 | | 216 | 364 |
| Live Oak, - | 58 | 43 | | 50 | 53 |
| Llano, - | 89 | 43 | | 75 | 63 |
| McLennan, - | 408 | 190 | | 372 | 228 |
| Madison, - | 190 | 90 | | 174 | 92 |
| Mason, - | 21 | 10 | | 23 | 15 |
| Matagorda, - | 79 | 149 | | 64 | 168 |
| Medina, - | 54 | 197 | 2 | 51 | 200 |
| Milam, - | 330 | 218 | | 303 | 217 |
| Montague, - | 75 | 8 | | 58 | 9 |
| Montgomery, - | 299 | 153 | | 279 | 167 |
| Nacogdoches, - | 715 | 308 | | 706 | 262 |
| Navarro, - | 402 | 277 | | 365 | 310 |
| Newton, - | 154 | 116 | | 142 | 118 |
| Nueces, - | 233 | 135 | | 186 | 172 |
| Orange, - | 122 | 46 | | 88 | 67 |
| Palo Pinto, - | 170 | 15 | | 150 | 36 |
| Panola, - | 429 | 433 | 1 | 365 | 448 |
| Parker, - | 598 | 119 | | 527 | 196 |
| Polk, - | 298 | 312 | | 252 | 345 |
| Red River, - | 474 | 405 | | 440 | 415 |
| Refugio, - | 82 | 77 | 1 | 66 | 95 |
| Robertson, - | 259 | 160 | | 236 | 190 |

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| Rusk, - - | 918 | 968 | 835 | 1,015 | |
| Sabine, - - | 201 | 27 | 197 | 18 | |
| San Augustine, - | 273 | 109 | 259 | 117 | |
| San Patricio, - | 21 | 33 | 15 | 30 | |
| San Saba, - | 158 | 9 | 158 | 11 | |
| Shelby, - - | 454 | 275 | 396 | 316 | |
| Smith, - - | 801 | 466 | 583 | 571 | |
| Starr, - - | 69 | 191 | 113 | 147 | |
| Tarrant, - - | 596 | 118 | 448 | 214 | |
| Titus, - - | 555 | 489 | 529 | 545 | |
| Travis, - - | 590 | 403 | 594 | 439 | |
| Trinity, - - | 341 | 167 | 313 | 183 | |
| Tyler, - - | 233 | 352 | 190 | 361 | |
| Upshur, - - | 552 | 505 | 469 | 537 | |
| Uvalde, - - | 66 | 41 | 49 | 28 | |
| Van Zandt, - | 210 | 165 | 122 | 224 | |
| Victoria, - - | 123 | 181 | 103 | 196 | |
| Walker, - - | 470 | 344 | 460 | 349 | |
| Washington, - | 745 | 607 | 658 | 676 | |
| Webb, - - | 110 | 90 | 114 | 89 | |
| Wise, - - | 310 | 23 | 301 | 28 | |
| Wharton, - - | 93 | 114 | 63 | 132 | |
| Williamson, - | 488 | 187 | 475 | 199 | |
| Wood, - - | 403 | 250 | 390 | 259 | |
| Young, - - | 109 | 42 | 97 | 48 | |
| Zapata, - - | 42 | 130 | 42 | 130 | |
| Total, - - - | 36,227 | 27,500 | 6,31,458 | 30,325 | 24 |

From which it is seen that Sam Houston received thirty-six thousand two hundred and twenty-seven votes and Hardin R. Runnels twenty-seven thousand five hundred votes for Governor. And for Lieut. Governor, Edward Clark received thirty-one thousand four hundred and fifty-eight votes and Francis R. Lubbock received thirty thousand three hundred and twenty-five votes. Mr. Houston having received the largest number of votes for Governor, and Mr. Clark the largest number for Lieutenant Governor, were declared by the Speaker duly and constitutionally elected Governor and Lieut. Governor of the State of Texas for the term of two years, from the 21st day of December next.

The Senate having returned to their chamber, Mr. Parsons offered the following Resolution :

Resolved, That one hundred copies of the late Census rolls

be printed for the use of the Senate," which was referred, on motion of Mr. Hart, to the Committee on Apportionment.

On motion of Mr. Hart, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, November 12th, 1859.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Chaplain—roll called—quorum present. The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Parsons, Chairman of the Committee on Apportionment, made the following report :

The Committee on Apportionment to whom was referred the accompanying resolution, ordering the printing of 100 copies of the rolls of the late census, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the Senate and recommend its adoption.

Mr. Schliecher presented the petition of sundry citizens of San Saba County praying relief. Read and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

Mr. Pitts offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That two thousand copies of the Governor's message be printed for the Senate.

Mr. Hart moved to strike out two thousand and insert one thousand. Lost.

The question recurring on the adoption of the resolution, the yeas and nays were called for and stood as follows :

YEAS—Messrs. Duggar, Erath, Guinn, Harman, Lott, Parsons, Pitts, Potter, Rainy, Shepard, Stockdale, and Wigfall—12.

NAYS—Messrs. Chambers, Dickinson, Fall, Grimes, Hart, Herbert, Hyde, Martin, Quinan, Rains, Sims, Throckmorton, Townes, Walker, Wallace—15. Lost.

Mr. Stockdale was excused from serving on the Select Committee, to whom was referred the memorial of Messrs. Marshall and Oldham.

Mr. Parsons moved to take from the table the resolution ordering 100 copies of the late census rolls of the State to be printed. Carried, and the resolution adopted.

The Senate concurred in the resolution of the House appointing a committee of five to act with a like committee on the part of the Senate, to enquire into the expediency of revising our present revenue laws.